

## Message Text

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SUBJECT: TEXT OF ROMANIAN DISSIDENT "OPEN LETTER"

REF: BUCHAREST 967 AND 973

1. THERE FOLLOWS FULL TEXT OF ROMANIAN DISSIDENT "OPEN  
LETTER", ADDRESSED TO CSCE PARTICIPANTS:  
FOREWORD TO THE OPEN LETTER ADDRESSED TO PARTICIPANTS IN  
THE BELGRADE CONFERENCE  
--PLEASE LET THE PRESENT LETTER (TO WHICH WE ANNEX A  
COPY OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF  
ROMANIA) BE DISTRIBUTED DURING THE PREPARATORY PHASE  
OF THE CONFERENCE THROUGH ANY MEDIA THE ORGANIZERS WILL  
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CONSIDER ADEUATE: PRESS, RADIO, TV.  
--DURING THE CONFERENCE, AFTER THE LETTER HAS  
BECOME PUBLIC, WE SHALL TRANSMIT TO THE MEETING  
THE SIGNATURES OF THOSE WHO HAVE MEANWHILE GIVEN  
THEIR CONSENT TO OUR ACTION.  
--THE NAMES OF THOSE WHO SIGNED THIS LETTER ARE  
RECORDED IN THE ALPHABETICAL ORDER.

THE YEAR 1977 WAS DECLARED TO BE THE YEAR OF HUMAN RIGHTS; WE, WHO SIGNED THIS OPEN LETTER ADDRESSED TO THE BELGRADE CONFERENCE, CONSIDER IT NECESSARY TO HOLD AN INTERNATIONAL MEETING AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL HAVING AS FUNDAMENTAL PURPOSE THE DEFENSE OF HUMAN RIGHTS.

WHERE THE ANTI-HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIONS OF STATES HAVE LED TO THIS CONFERENCE, WE PROTEST AGAINST ANY FORM OF OPPRESSION - PHYSICAL, MORAL, INTELLECTUAL - WHICH OCCURS IN POLITICAL PRISONS, IN CMPS AND PSYCHIATRIC CLINICS, IN OLD OR NEW GULAGS, WHERE VIOLENCE AND LYING TRAMPLE UNDERFOOT THE CONCEPTS OF FREEDOM AND DIGNITY.

UNDER CONTEMPORARY DICTATORSHIPS, THE ESSENTIAL FORMS OF SOCIAL AND INDIVIDUAL MANIFESTATIONS (ART, CULTURE, SCIENCE, POLITICAL AND RELIGIOUS CREEDS, NATIONAL CONSCIENCE) BECOME EMPTY WORDS SERVING THE IDEOLOGICAL PROPAGANDA OF THESE DICTATORSHIPS. ON THE OTHER HAND, RIGHTS GUARANTEED BY INTERNAL LAWS AND INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS ARE NOT RESPECTED; EG THE ARTICLES IN THE CONSTITUTION OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF ROMANIA REFERRING TO: CIVIL RIGHTS (ART 18); THE RIGHT TO WORK (ART 18); THE RIGHT TO EDUCATION (ART 21); TO ASSOCIATION (ART 27); THE FREEDOM OF SPEECH, OF THE PRESS, OF HOLDING CONVENTIONS, MEETINGS, DEMONSTRATIONS (ART 28); THE FREEDOM OF CONSCIENCE (ART 30); THE INVIOABILITY OF THE PERSON (ART 31), OF THE DOMICILE (ART 32); THE SECURITY OF CORRESPONDENCE AND TELEPHONE CALLS

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(ART 33). ALSO NOT RESPECTED ARE THE RIGHT TO THE FREE CIRCULATION OF PEOPLE, IDEAS, INFORMATION AND THE RIGHT TO CITIZENSHIP IS TRANSFORMED INTO AN OBLIGATION WHICH DOES NOT SERVE THE CAUSE OF PROGRESS. EVERYWHERE IN THE WORLD, PEOPLE TALK ABOUT DIGNITY, FREEDOM, BUT HOW MANY PEOPLE IN THOSE COUNTRIES WHERE DIGNITY AND FREEDOM REALLY EXIST KNOW THAT THERE ARE STATES IN WHICH PEOPLE ARE TIED DOWN TO THE GROUND ON WHICH THEY WERE BORN FOR THEIR WHOLE LIFE? HOW MANY PEOPLE KNOW THAT THERE ARE STATES IN WHICH, SINCE MANY YEARS, ELECTORS VOTE.... UNANIMOUSLY FOR THE SINGLE CANDIDATE APPOINTED BY THE POWER AGAINST THE WILL OF THE ELECTORS? THAT THERE ARE COUNTRIES IN WHICH WORK AND NOT THE MAN WHO WORKS IS IMPORTANT? THAT THERE ARE COUNTRIES IN WHICH THE CITIZENS ARE OBLIGED TO SERVE STATE INTERESTS, WHICH ARE USUALLY CONTRARY TO THE INTERESTS OF THE CITIZENS? THAT THERE STILL ARE PLACES ON EARTH WHERE CON-

VICTIONS ARE IMPOSED BY FORCE? WE ALSO  
CONSIDER THAT IT IS INADMISSIBLE TO EXPAND  
THE PRINCIPLES OF NON-INTERFERENCE IN INTERNAL  
AFFAIRS UPON BASIC CITIZEN RIGHTS.  
WE CONCLUDE BY WARMLY THANKING THE  
PARTICIPANTS IN THE BELGRADE CONFERENCE MEETING  
FOR DEFENDING THE DIGNITY AND FREEDOM OF PEOPLE.  
BUCHARST, FEBRUARY 8, 1977  
FEHER ADALBERT GOMA PAUL NAVODARU ANA-MARIA  
GESSWEIN ERWIN MANOLIU MARIA STEFANESCU SERBAN  
GESSWEIN EMILIA MANOLIU SERGIU.  
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